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June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 6-5-67 (OFF. NO. 624)

WDCA-TV (4-22-64)
Call letters

Station location WASHINGTON, D.C.

Name of licensee CHANNEL 20, INCORPORATED (BAPCT-397, gr. 5-11-67, FF: 5-11-67)
CAPITAL BROADCASTING COMPANY5202 River Road, Bethesda, Maryland (BPCT-3 27--9-21-66)
x5200 River Road, Bethesda, Maryland (BMPCT-6035 6-3-65)
Transmitter location XCORNER OF GEORGE VASON DRIVE AND LEE HIGHWAY, ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA5202 River Road, Bethesda, Maryland (BPCT-3827--9-21-66)
x 5200 River Road, Bethesda, Maryland (BMPCT-6035 6-3-65)
Main studio location (To be Determined), WASHINGTON, D.C.

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl. No. | Date Issued | Freq. | Power | Time Div. | Period From- To |
|---|-------------|---|------------|-----------|-----------------|
| BPCT-3122 | 8-13-63 | CH. #20 | Vis-596 kw | U | 10-13-63 |
| Alt: 510' | MSL:766.6' | 506-512 | Aur-298 kw | | 4-13-64 |
| <u>Construction Permit for a New Comm. TV B/C Station.</u> | | | | | |
| BTC-4506 | 2-28-64 | Voluntary acquisition of positive control of permittee corporation by Milton Grant(50.2%) through purchase of 2 shares of stock from A. Dana Hodgdon | | | |
| EFF | | | | | |
| BMPCT-5967 | 5-18-64 | CH. #20 | V-596 kw | U | 10-13-63 |
| Alt: 510 feet | | 506-512 | A-298 kw | | 11-18-64 |
| MSL:766.6 feet. Mod. of CP (BPCT-3122) to extend completion date | | | | | |
| L.F. to show change of call letters. | | | | | |
| BMPCT-6032 | 11-17-64 | same | same | same | 10-13-63 |
| Mod. of CP (BPCT-3122) to extend completion date | | | | | |
| BMPCT-6104 | 5-20-65 | same | same | same | 10-13-63 |
| Mod. of CP (BPCT-3122, as mod) to extend compl. dt. | | | | | |
| BMPCT-6035 | 6-3-65 | CH. 20 | V-646 kw | U | 10-13-63 |
| Alt: 770' | | 506-512 | A-64.6 kw | | 12-3-65 |
| MSL:1049'. Mod. of CP (BPCT-3122, as mod) to chg. ERP, TL, type transmitter, antenna, AH. | | | | | |
| BMPCT-6035 | 6-3-65 | CH. 20 | V-646 kw | U | 10-13-63 |
| Alt: 770' MSL:1049' | | 506-512 | A-64.6 kw | | 12-3-65 |
| SUPERSEDED 8-4-65 To correct geo. coordinates. | | | | | |
| WIRE 3-28-66 RE TENDERED LIC. APPL., AUTH. GRANTED | | | | | |
| OPER. WDCA-TV ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORD. SEC. 73.629 RULES | | | | | |
| 6 CP BMPCT-6182, EXCEPT WITH TRANS. OUTPUT POWER OF 30KW | | | | | |
| VISUAL AND 3KW AURAL AND WITH FORM. EFF. RADIATED POWER | | | | | |
| OF 397 KW VISUAL & 39.7 KW AURAL | | | | | |
| BMPCT-6182 | 11-29-65 | same | same | same | 10-13-63 |
| Mod. of CP (BPCT-3122, as mod) to extend compl. dt. | | | | | |
| WIRE 8-5-66 PENDING ACTION ON APPLI. FOR PERMANENT | | | | | |
| CHANGE, AUTH. GR. WDCA-TV INSTALL RCA TYPE ITU-50C | | | | | |
| TRANSMITTER AND OPER. AT POWERS NOT TO EXCEED THOSE | | | | | |
| SPECIFIED IN BMPCT-6182 TEMP. PER. END 9-5-66. | | | | | |

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters WDCA-TV

Station location

Name of licensee CAPITAL BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

| Appl. No. | Date Issued | Freq. | Power | Time Div | Period From To |
|---|---|---|------------|-------------|-------------------|
| WIRE | 9-6-66 | RELETATY 6. PENDING ACTION ON APPL. FOR PERMANENT CHANGE, EXTENSION AUTH. WDCA-TV INSTALL RCA TYPE TTU-50C TRANSMITTER AND OPER. AT POWERS NOT TO EXCEED THOSE SPECIFIED IN BMPCT-6182 TEMP. PER. END. 10-5-66. | | | |
| WIRE | 11-25-66 | RE TENDERED LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPER. WDCA-TV ON PROG. TEST ACCORD SEC. 73.629 RULES & CP BPCT-3827. | | | |
| BPCT-3827 | 9-21-66 | Ch. 20 | V. 724 kw | U | 11-21-66 |
| AH: 770' MSL: 1049' | | 506-512 | A. 72.4 kw | | 5-21-67 |
| CP to chg. ERP & type of trans. | | | | | |
| BAPCT-397 | VOLUNTARY ASSIGNMENT OF CONSTRUCTION PERMIT TO CHANNEL 20, INCORPORATED. GR. 5-11-67 EFF: 5-11-67 | | | | |
| BLCT-1571 | 6-5-67 | CH. 20 | V-724 kw | U | 6-5-67 |
| BLCT-1631 | | 506-512 | A-72.4 kw | | 10-1-69 |
| AH: 770' MSL: 1049'. LICENSE to cover CP (BPCT-3827 & BPCT-3122, changes) for a new Comm. TV B/C Station. | | | | | |
| BTC-5801 | 5-7-69 | VOL. T/C | | | |
| BRCT-624 | 9-30-69 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S) | | | |
| BTC-6089 | 12-16-69 | VOL. T/C | | | |
| WIRE | 8-13-70 | PENDING COMM. CONSIDERATION OF BPCT-4374 AUTH. GR. INSTALL GATES BT-55U TRANS. ACCORD. REQUEST. THIS ACTION DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A COMMISSION DECISION REGARDING FACILITIES REQ. IN BPCT-4374. | | | |
| BPCT-4374 | 10-5-70 | Ch. 20 | V. 3090 kw | U | 12-5-70 |
| AH: 770' MSL: 1049' | | 506-512 | A. 309 kw | | 4-5-72 |
| CP chg. ERP, trans. & ant. | | | | | |
| WIRE | 10-20-70 | PENDING COMPLETION CONSTRUCTION ACCORD BPCT-4374 AND FIL. LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR. OPER. TEMP. PER. END. 1-20-71 ACCORD BRCT-624 EXCEPT WITH GATES BT-55U TRANSMITTER. | | | |
| WIRE | 1-14-71 | Above auth. ext. to | | | |
| | | | | | 4-5-71 |

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Station location

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

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| WIRE | 3-11-71 | RE TENDERED LIC. APPLI. | PENDING | | |
| FIL. ADD. MEASUREMENTS ESTABLISHING COMPLIANCE WITH TYPE ACCEPTANCE REQ. OF SEC. 73.640 RULES AUTH. GR. OPER. TEMP. PER. END. 4-16--71. NEC. FILE ADD. AURAL FM NOISE MEASUREME ESTABLISHING COMPLIANCE WITH SEC. 73.687*b)(4) DURING THIS MONTH. | | | | | |
| WIRE | 3-11--71 | Auth. to oper. | remote control | | |
| WIRE | -4-16-71 | ABOVE AUTH. GR. | 3-11-71 | ext. | 6-16-71 |
| WIRE | 6-15-71 | RE TENDERED LIC. APPLI. | AUTH. GR. | | |
| OPER. ON PTA CP BPCT-4374. | | | | | |
| BLCT-2091 | 9-1-71 | Ch. 20 V. | 3090 kw | U | 9-1-71 |
| AH: 770' MSL: 1049' | | 506-512 A. | 309 | | 10-1-72 |
| Lic. (BPCT-4374) chg. | | | | | |
| EB3A | 5-15-72 | | | | |
| BRCTV-160 | 11-27-74 | Remote control authority | | | |
| Wire sent; not issued; to be issued with Renewal. | | | | | |
| BRCT-624 | 7-23-75 | Ch. 20 V. | 3090 kw | | 10-1-75 |
| AH: 770' MSL: 1049' | | 506-512 A. | 309 kw | | |
| Renewal of license | | | | | |
| BRCT-624 | 12-9-75 | Renewal of license (S) | | | 10-1-78 |
| BTC-8735 | 6-26-78 | Vol. T/C | | | |
| BRCT-624 | 2-6-79 | Renewal of License (S) | | | 10-1-81 |

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WDCB-TV (4-77-64)

Call Letters **NEW**

Name **CAPITAL BROADCASTING COMPANY**

PO c/o Milton Grant, Suite 5, 2480 - 16th. Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
|----------------------|----------|---|---|--------------------------|
| | | | Nature | Date |
| BPCT- 3122 R. & F | 11-19-62 | Construction permit for a new Commercial TV broadcast station Channel 20, 506-512 mcs. ERP: Vis. 600.2 kw, Aur. 300.10 kw STATION LOCATION: WASHINGTON, D. C. Transmitter location: Corner of George Mason Drive and Lee Highway, Arlington, Virginia Studio location: To be determined, Washington, D. C. (RCA TTU-25B) AH: 513.45 feet Mallyck and Bernton-attys Silliman, Moffet & Kowalski-engr. | GRANTED | DOCKET #15075 8-13-63 |
| | 11-19-62 | | Condition: That no construction shall commence until the appropriate application for construction per- mits to modify WAVA-AM and WAVA-FM antennas have been filed & granted. | |
| Amended R & F | 1-3-63 | Amended to correct geographic coordinates Mallyck & Bernton-attys | | |
| | 1-7-63 | | | |

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Name **CAPITAL BROADCASTING COMPANY**
Washington, D. C.

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
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| | | | Nature | Date |
| BTC- 4506 Rec.& filed | 2-20-64 2-20-64 | Voluntary acquisition of positive control of permittee corporation by Milton Grant (50.2%) through purchase of 2 shares of stock from A. Dana Hodgdon. Mallyck and Bernton-attys | GRANTED EFF: | 2-28-64 |
| BPCT- 5967 Recd.& Filed | 4-10-64 4-10-64 | Mod. of CP (BPCT-3122, which authorized a new Comm. TV Broadcast station) to extend comple- tion date from 4-13-64 to _____ Mallyck & Bernton, Atty. | GRANTED Previous condition See BPCT-3122 Card 1 | 5-18-64 |
| BPCT-6032 Recd.& Filed | 11-2-64 11-3-64 | Mod. of CP (BPCT-3122, as mod. which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend comple- tion date from 11-18-64 to _____. Mallyck & Bernton, Attys. | GRANTED | 11-17-64 |

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Washington, District of Columbia

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| | | | Nature | Date |
| EMPCT-6035 R & F | 10-30-64 | Mod. of CP (BPCT-3122, as mod., which auth. a new station) to change ERP from 596 kw, Aur. 298 kw to Vis. 642 kw (Horiz), Aur. 64 kw (Horiz); Transmitter location from Corner of George Mason Drive and Lee Highway, Arlington, Virginia and Studio location from "To be Determined, Washington, D. C., BOTH to 5200 River Road, Bethesda, Maryland; change type transmitters to RCA TTU-50B; type of antenna to RCA TFU-30J (elec. beam tilt); make changes in antenna system and change antenna height above average terrain to 770 feet. REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 73.613 OF COM's RULES. Mallyck & Bernton-attys David Steel & Assoc.- engr. | GRANTED | 6-3-65 |
| | 11-3-64 | | Subject to Compliance with Section 73.640 of Rules. | |
| AMENDED | 2-23-65 | Amended to change antenna height above average terrain to 767.5 ft and submit supplemental engineering data. | | |
| Rec. & filed | 2-23-65 | | | |

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Name **CAPITAL BROADCASTING COMPANY**
CH. 20 **Washington, D.C.**

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| | | | Nature | Date |
| BMPCT-6104 Recd. & Filed | 5-12-65 5-14-65 | Mod. of CP (BPCT-3122, as mod., which auth. a new station) to extend completion date from 5-17-65 to 11-17-65. Mallyck & Bernton, Atty. | GRANTED | 5-20-65 |
| BMPCT-6182 R & F | 11-10-65 11-12-65 | Mod. of CP (BPCT-3122, as mod., which auth. a new station) to extend completion date from 12-3-65 to 6-3-66. Mallyck & Bernton, Atty. | GRANTED | 11-29-65 |
| LETTER(3) | 3-10-66 | REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF SECTIONS 73.651(a)(1), 73.651(a)(2) and 73.651(c) OF COMMISSION'S RULES TEMPORARILY. Mallyck & Bernton-attys filed request | | |
| BLCT-1571 R & F | 3-23-66 3-25-66 | LICENSE to cover CP (BPCT-3122, as mod.), which authorized a new Comm. TV Broadcast Station. Mallyck & Bernton, Atty. | GRANTED | 6-5-67 |

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CHANNEL 20, INCORPORATED
 X CAPITAL BROADCASTING COMPANY
 Name
 CH-20 Washington, D. C.

| File No. | Dated | Application for | Action | |
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| | | | Nature | Date |
| BPCT-3827 Rec. Filed | 7-25-66 7-27-66 8-16-66 | CP to make the following changes: ERP to Vis. 723 kw (Horz), Aur. 72 kw (Horz); change type of transmitter to RCA TTU-50C. Mallyck & Bernton, Atty. | GRANTED | 9-21-66 |
| BLCT-1631 R & F | 11-18-66 11-22-66 | License to cover CP(BPCT-3827) which auth. changes in an existing station. Mallyck & Bernton- Attys. David L. Steel, Sr., Engr. AMENDED to change name pursuant to BAPCT-397. | GRANTED | 6-5-67 |
| BAPCT-397 R & F (Form 316) | 3-31-67 4-14-67 | Voluntary assignment of construction permits to CHANNEL 20, INCORPORATED Atty - Mallyck & Bernton | GRANTED EFF: | 5-11-67 5-11-67 |

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CH-20 Washington, D. C.

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| | | | Nature | Date |
| BTC-5801 R & F Press PN Rec'd #475753 (Form 315) | 11-29-68 | Voluntary transfer of control of Capital Broadcasting Company (parent company of licensee corporation) from Milton Grant. A. Dana Hodgdon, Edward Mernone, et al to Superior Tube Company. (Request Waiver of Three Year Rule) Pierson, Ball & Dowd, Atty. (William S. Green) AMENDED 1-15-69 re legal (submit amended copy of articles and by-laws) Ltr. from atty. 2-20-69 submitting employment agreement for Milton Grant. AMENDED 3-10-69 re legal (other business interests). AMENDED 3-25-69 re legal (additional statement re Section I, para. 2) AMENDED 4-9-69 re legal and financial. | GRANTED | 5-7-69 |
| | 12-2-68 | | REF: | 5-13-69 |
| | DEC 11 1968 | | Order #29652 adopted | |
| | 3-27-69 | | | |
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Name CHANNEL 20, INCORPORATED
CH-20 Washington, D. C.

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| | | | Nature | Date |
| BTC-5801 | Cont'd | AMENDED 4-14-69 re legal, filed by Mallyck & Bernton and financial, filed by Arthur Stambler. ASSIGNOR'S PORTION | GRANTED Ordered #29652 adopted | 5-7-69 |
| BRCT-624 | 6-11-69 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE | | |
| R & F | 6-12-69 | Robert E. Hodson, Atty. (Pierson, Ball & Dowd) | GRANTED | 9-30-69 |
| \$150 #521928 | " | | | |
| PRESS | JUN 18 1969 | | | |
| PN Recd. | 6-12-69 | | | |
| BTC-6089 | 10-29-69 | Voluntary transfer of control of licensee | | |
| R & F | 10-31-69 | corporation from Capital Broadcasting Company | GRANTED | 12-16-69 |
| #553896 \$30 | 10-31-69 | to Superior Tube Company. | EFF: | 12-31-69 |
| PRESS: | NOV 18 1969 | | | |
| PN REC'D: | | Atty.: William S. Green (Pierson, Ball & Dowd) | | |
| | | AMENDED 11-13-69 to submit signed agreements. | | |
| ENGR. DATA FILED | 7-7-70 | | | |

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Name **CHANNEL 20, INCORPORATED**
CH-20 **WASHINGTON, D. C.**

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| | | | Nature | Date |
| BPCT-4374 R & F #616355 \$30 PRESS: | 7-14-70 | CP, chg. ERP to Vis. 3090kw(H), Aur. 309kw(H); type trans. to Gates BT-220U; and type ant. to RCA TFU-22G. | GRANTED | 10-5-70 |
| | 7-15-70 | | | |
| | 7-15-70 | | | |
| | JUL 9 1970 | | | |
| | 10-2-70 | Atty.: L. J. Bernard, Jr. (Pierson, Ball & Dowd) Annual License fee \$138.00 #634248 paid | | |
| BLCT-2091 | 3-10-71 | Lic. to cover (BPCT-4374) for chgs. | GRANTED | 9-1-71 |
| Received | 3-9-71 | Atty.: L. J. Bernard, Jr. (Pierson, Ball) | | |
| Filed | 3-10-71 | | | |
| #669688 \$50 | 3-9-71 | | | |
| AC: 069 | | | | |
| PRESS | JUN 18 1971 | | | |

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CH-20 WASHINGTON, D. C.

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| | | | Nature | Date |
| BRCT-624 R & F PN REC PRESS | 6-29-72 7-3-72 7-3-72 JUL 20 1972 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE Robert E. Hodson (Pierson, Ball & Dowd) AMENDED 7-17-72 to correct type trans. Amended 8-31-72 re financial data. AMENDED 12-11-72 re equal employment AMENDED 5-1-73 re other business interests | GRANTED | 7-23-75 |
| BRCTV-160 R & F \$50 refunded PRESS: JUL 16 1973 | 4-24-72 4-27-72 JUL 16 1973 | Request auth. to oper. trans. by remote control from 5202 River Road, Washington, D. C. REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 73.676(c) OF THE RULES. Atty.: Harrison T. Slaughter (Pierson, Ball & Dowd) Additional Engineering filed 10-7-74. | GRANTED Wire sent; not issued; to be issued with Renewal. | 11-27-74 |

PETITION TO PREVENT EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION filed 9-1-72 by Media Task Force et al,
OPPOSITION OF CHANNEL 20, INCORPORATED TO "PETITION TO PREVENT EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION"
filed 9-14-72 by William S. Green on behalf of WDCA-TV.

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME filed 10-31-72 by Albert H. Kramer on behalf of Citizens
Communications Center.

CORRECTIONS AND ADDITIONS TO "REPLY TO LICENSEES' OPPOSITIONS TO PETITION TO PREVENT EMPLOY-
MENT DISCRIMINATION" filed 11-28-72 by Albert Kramer on behalf of Petitioners.

OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO STRIKE filed 12-4-72 by Albert H. Kramer on behalf of Petitioners.

1972 Renewal Granted 7-23-75; Memorandum Opinion and Order adopted 7-23-75, released
8-6-75, FCC 75-889: Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, That the "Petition to Prevent Employment
Discrimination" filed September 1, 1972 by Cynthia Clark Matthews, individually and as
Coordinator for Media Task Force et al, IS GRANTED to the extent indicated above and DENIED
in all remaining aspects. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the following license renewal
applications ARE GRANTED for the remainder of their current terms (to October 1, 1975);
WETA-FM-TV, ASH-FM, WMAL-AM-FM-TV, STOP-AM-FM and WDCA-TV.

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Name CHANNEL 20, INCORPORATED

CH-20 Washington, D. C.

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| | | | Nature | Date |
| BRCT-624 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS: 16 JUL 1975 5 AUG 1975 | 5-30-75 6-2-75 6-2-75 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE APPLICATION Annual Report Filed Atty: William S. Green (Pierson, Ball & Dowd) Amended 7-22-75 re business interests. Ltr. 11-17-75 re subscription television. | GRANTED | 12-9-75 |
| BSTV-16 R & F #488848 \$700 AC: 001 PRESS: PN REC'D: | 10-15-75 10-16-75 10-16-75 4 NOV 1975 5-3-76 | Request authority to install Subscription Television equipment. Atty.: Finkelstein & Firestone AMENDED 10-23-75 to submit programming survey. | Designated for Min. JUN 30 1976 RETURN TO PROCESSING | 4-21-81 |

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WASHINGTON, D.C.

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| | | | Nature | Date |
| BRCT-624 | 5-31-78 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE | GRANTED | 2-6-79 |
| R&F | 6-1-78 | Atty.: John Duffy | COMMISSION ACTION | |
| 21 PRESS | 6-1-78 | | | |
| PRESS | JUN 13 1978 | | | |
| BTC-8735 | 6-1-78 | Voluntary transfer of control of licensee | GRANTED | 6-26-78 |
| R&F | 6-6-78 | corporation from Superior Tube Company to | EFF: | 7-7-78 |
| PRESS | JUN 20 1978 | Improvement Leasing Company. | | |
| (Form 316) | | Atty.: William S. Green (Pierson, Ball & Dowd) | | |

PETITION TO DENY OR TO RENEW FOR ONLY ONE YEAR filed 8-15-78 by Christopher W. Walker and James H. Burch. (See WRC-TV)

PETITION TO DENY filed 9-1-78 by Washington Association for Television and Children.

OPPOSITION TO PLEADING ENTITLED "PETITION TO DENY OR TO RENEW FOR ONLY ONE YEAR" filed 9-14-78 by John Duffy for WDCA-TV/

OPPOSITION TO PLEADING ENTITLED "PETITION TO DENY" filed 10-2-78 by William Green for WDCA-TV.

PETITIONER'S REPLY filed 10-3-78 by Walker & Burch

REPLY TO OPPOSITION filed 10-23-78 by WATCH.

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted 2-6-79, released 2-16-79 FCC 79-83 5142: Therefore, IT IS ORDERED, That the Petition to Deny filed by the Washington Association for Television and Children IS DENIED. IT IS ALSO ORDERED, That the above-captioned application for renewal of license for Station WDCA-TV, Washington, D. C., IS GRANTED for the remainder of the license term for District of Columbia stations -- i.e., until October 1, 1981.

(Lic. file #3, with orig. appl. & orig. pleadings - to Konrad Herling 712 2-26-79)

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted 2-14-79, released 3-2-79 FCC 79-100 5144: Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, That the petition to deny, filed by Christopher W. Walker and James H. Burch, IS DENIED.

PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION 3-19-79 by WATCH.

MOTION FOR STAY PENDING RECONSIDERATION 3-19-79 by WATCH

OPPOSITION TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION AND TO MOTION FOR STAY PENDING RECONSIDERATION 4-3-79 by Green for Channel 20, Incorporated

COMMERCIAL TELEVISION
APPLICATION RECORD BROADCASTING

Call Letters: WDCA-TV

Name: CHANNEL 20, INCORPORATED

CH-20

Station Location: WASHINGTON, DC

| File No. | Date | Description | Action and Date |
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| RENEWAL GRTD. 2-6-79: | | | |
| MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER | adopted 8-1-79, released 9-6-79 FCC 79-496 14446: | Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, That the petition for reconsideration, filed March 19, 1979 by the Washington Association for Television and Children, IS DENIED. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That WATCH's motion for stay of our Memorandum Opinion and Order granting Channel 20's renewal pending out resolution of the instant petition for reconsideration, IS DISMISSED AS MOOT. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the Secretary of the Commission shall send, by Certified Mail-Return Receipt Requested, a copy of the Memorandum Opinion and Order to each of the parties to this proceeding. | |
| Sent Certified | 9-7-79 - pd | | |

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Call
Letters **WDCA-TV**Name **CHANNEL 20, INCORPORATED**
CH-20 WASHINGTON, DC

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| PETITIONS {CONT'D} REPLY TO OPPOSITION WATCH. | | TO PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION | 4-10-79 by COOK for | |

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters **WDCA-TV**Name **CHANNEL 20, INCORPORATED**
CH-20 **WASHINGTON, D. C.**

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| BTC- 780725IB R&F PN REC'D PRESS (Form 315) | 7-25-78 | Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Improvement Leasing Company to Taft Broadcasting Company. Attys.: Transferor-William S. Green (Pierson, Ball & Dowd) Transferee-M. Smile Humphrey (Koteen & Burt) Amended 9-15-78 re legal & additional information Amended 10-20-78 re business interests | GRANTED | 8-16-79 |
| | 7-25-78 | | | |
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| BRCT- 810601KS R&F PN REC'D | 5-29-81 6-01-81 6-01-81 | RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: MARGOT SMILEY HUMPHREY {KOTEEN AND BURT} | | |
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PETITION TO DENY 3-19-79 by WATCH.

MOTION TO DISMISS 4-3-79 by Bernard Koteen for Taft Broadcasting Company

REPLY TO MOTION TO DISMISS 3-10-79 by Washington Association for Television and Children for the same.

MOTION TO SUPPLEMENT PLEADINGS 4-10-79 by WATCH for the same.

REPLY TO RESPONSE OF TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY 4-26-79 by WATCH for the same.

MOTION TO ACCEPT LATE-FILED PETITION TO DENY 4-26-79 by Wilhelmina
Reuben Cooke for WATCH.

OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO ACCEPT LATE-FILED PETITION TO DENY 5-4-79 by
Bernard Kottten for Taft Br/c

MOTION TO STRIKE UNAUTHORIZED STATEMENT 6-20-79 by Cooke for Citizens.

SUPPLEMENTAL PLEADINGS 7-5-79 by Cooke for CCC.

COMMENTS ON "MOTION TO STRIKE UNAUTHORIZED STATEMENT" 7-3-79 by Koteen for Taft B/c Co.

COMMENTS ON "SUPPLEMENTAL PLEADING" 7-10-79 by Koteen for Taft.

REPLY TO COMMENTS ON SUPPLEMENTAL PLEADINGS 7-17-79 by Cooke for WATCH

~~RESPONSE TO EXTRAORDINARY COMMISSION ACTION~~ -----

RESPONSE TO EXTRAORDINARY COMMISSION ACTION 8-8-79 by Cook for WATCH.

amendment re. Taft's Request for waiver of Top Fifty Policy 8-2-79 by Dudley
S. Taft {President of Taft} for Taft.

opposition of WATCH to Taft's amendment of Top Fifty Request 8-2-79 by Cooke
for WaTCH.

CARD NO. 12A

APPLICATION RECORD BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV
Call Letters: WDCAName: CHANNEL 20, INCORPORATED
CH-20

Station Location: WASHINGTON, DC

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| PETITIONS CONT'D: | | | |
| MEMORANDUM RE COMMISSION STAFF BIAS by Cooke for WATCH | --8-15-79 | | |
| MOTION FOR IMMEDIATE AND EMERGENCY STAY OF DECISION | 8-16-79 | by Cooke for WATCH. | |
| MOTION FOR IMMEDIATE AND EMERGENCY ISSUANCE OF ORDER DIRECTING THE PARTIES TO RESCIND PREMATURE TRANSFER OF CONTROL PENDING ISSUANCE OF FINAL COMMISSION ORDER | 8-22-79 | by Cooke for WATCH. | |
| MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER | adopted 8-17-79, released 8-17-79 | BC FCC 79-511 14491: In view of these factors, we are not persuaded that WATCH's stay request should be granted. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, that the "Motion for Immediate and Emergency Stay of Decision" filed on behalf of WATCH in connection with the above-captioned proceeding IS DENIED. | |
| ORDER | adopted & released 8-31-79 | FCC 79-516: Pursuant to the Order of the Court, the Commission hereby ORDERS Taft Broadcasting Company "to take no action in operating WDCA-TV, pending (the) Court's determination of WATCH's Petition for Writ of Mandamus, which would in any way affect the ability of the Federal Communications Commission to rescind the transfer of control of Channel 20, Inc., and reinstate the status quo that existed on August 16, 1979 prior to the transfer of control to Taft Broadcasting Company. {OVER} | to be 21 March 1979 |

OPPOSITION OF TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY TO MOTION FOR ORDER DIRECTING
RESCISSION OF TRANSFER 8-30-79 by Benard Koteen for Taft.-----

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 8-31-79 by Michael Finkelstein for Improvement.

RESPONSE TO OPPOSITION OF TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY TO MOTION FOR ORDER
DIRECTING RESCISSION OF TRANSFER 9-10-79 by Cooke for WATCH.

REPLY OF TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY TO "COMMENTS" OF IMPROVEMENT LEASING
COMPANY 9-10-79 by Bernard Koteen for Taft.

COMMENTS IN SUPPORT OF WATCH MOTION FOR ORDER TO RESCIND 9-7-79 by Finkelstein
for Improvement.-----

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted ~~8-12~~ 9-13-79, released 9-14-79 FCC 79-536 14676 ADVANCE
COPY: WATCH's "Motion for Immediate and Emergency Issuance of Order Directing the Parties to
Rescind Premature Transfer of Control Pending Issuance of Final Commission Order" IS DENIED.

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted 8-16-79, released 9-28-79 FCC 79-508 14447: Accordingly,
IT IS ORDERED, that the "petition" filed by Washington Association for Television and
Children IS DISMISSED, and, as an informal objection IS DENIED, and that the application of
Improvement Leasing Company for the transfer of 100% control of Channel 20, Incorporated,
licensee of WDCA-TV, Washington, D.C., to Taft Broadcasting Company IS GRANTED.

402(b) appeal filed 10-12-79 by Improvement Leasing Company

402(b) appeal filed 10-12-79 by WATCH

About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast radio stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file.

TV History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest TV stations. History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12th Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). Prior to that move, the History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of television station history.

